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SUBJ: COMMITTEE ON REVIEW AND APPRAISAL, FOURTH SESSION.  
EVENTS OF MAY 16-MAY 25.

1. SUMMARY: SESSION OPENED WITH BRIEF MEETING ON MAY 16 DURING WHICH CHAIRPERSON (HASHMI, INDIA) AND ONE OF THREE VCS (SPROETE, GDR) ELECTED AND AGENDA AMENDED TO REFLECT MORE ACCURATELY COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE. AT SECOND MEETING ON MAY 23 SECOND VC (HACHANI, TUNIAIA) AND RAPPORTEUR (OLDFELT, SWEDEN) ELECTED. STATEMENTS WERE PRESENTED BY CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARIAT (TALWAR). THIRD MEETING ON MAY 24 HEARD US (KAUFFMAN) STATEMENT WHICH WELL RECEIVED. NO MEETING ON MAY 25. SESSION TO DATE MOVING AT DESULTORY PACE, BUT TEN SPEAKERS ON ROSTER FOR MAY 26 AND SEVERAL OTHERS FOLLOWING DAY. G-77 STATEMENT PROBABLY WILL NOT BE MADE UNTIL NEXT WEEK. APPEARS THERE WILL BE NO EFFORT TO DRAFT CONSENSUS REPORT, BUT ATMOSPHERE SO FAR HAS BEEN CORDIAL WITHOUT SIGNS OF CONFRONTATION.

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INTER ALIA, DELEGATES CLEARLY AWAITING OUTCOME OF CIEC.  
END SUMMARY.

2. BUREAU. ELECTIONS WERE PRO FORMAL WITH NO SURPRISES.  
CHAIRMAN: SAAD M. HASHMI, DEPUTY PERMREP OF INDIA TO UN;  
VC: WOLFGANG SPROETE, GDR; VC. ALI HACHANI, TUNISIA;  
RAPPORTEUR: MS. KERSTIN OLDFELT, SWEDEN. THIRD VC RE-

MAINS TO BE ELECTED WHEN AFRICANS AGREE ON THEIR CANDIDATE.

3. AGENDA. ON MOTION OF YUGOSLAVIA (MADEY) SUBSTANTIVE ITEM ON PROVISIONAL AGENDA AMENDED TO INCLUDE ASSESSMENT OF PROGRESS IMPLEMENTATION OF GA RESOLUTIONS 3202(S-VI), 3281(XXIX) AND 3362(S-VII) ON NIEO PROGRAM OF ACTIONS, CERDS AND DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION AS WELL AS 2626(XXV) ON IDS FOR DDII. THROUGH OVERTURE LAST WAS ONLY RESOLUTION MENTIONED IN PROVISIONAL AGENDA ITEM 4, WHICH ORIGINALLY CALLED FOR MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEXT REVIEW AND APPRAISAL, WAS AMENDED TO READ, "ARRANGEMENTS OF THE FUTURE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE." NOT CLEAR AT THIS POINT WHAT IS SUBSTANTIVE INTENT OF THIS CHANGE.

4. IN OPENING STATEMENT CHAIRMAN HASHMI URGED COMMITTEE TO UNDERTAKE OBJECTIVE, DISPASSIONATE REVIEW AND APPRAISAL, NOTING BOTH SUCCESSES AND FAILURES. SAID IT WRONG TO FAULT IDS FOR ITS PREMISES (AS SOME HAVE) SINCE CONDITIONS WERE DIFFERENT WHEN IT CONCEIVED. CALLED FOR DELEGATES TO RISE ABOVE ECONOMIC IDEOLOGIES AND DEAL WITH REAL PROBLEMS OF JUSTICE AND EQUITY. OBSERVING THAT OLD MODELS OF ECONOMIC GROWTH HAVE PROVEN INADEQUATE, SAID THERE NEED FOR NEW THINKING STRESSED NEED TO CREATE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN LDCS TO PROVIDE INCOME NEEDED FOR BASIC NECESSITIES AND EMPHASIZED ROLE OF TRADE LIBERALIZATION AND ADEQUATE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE ON SOFT TERMS. IN HASHMI'S VIEW URGENT NEED IS NOT CLOSING GAP MEASURED IN TERMS OF PER CAPITAL GNP, BUT TO REMOVE MAN-MADE CONSTRAINTS WHICH UNCLASSIFIED

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PREVENT PEOPLE FROM PURSUING OWN PATH OF MORAL AND MATERIAL FULFILLMENT.

5. SECRETARIAT STATEMENT, PRESENTED BY MR. O. TALWAR, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT PLANNING, PROJECTIONS AND POLICIES, BRIEFLY REVIEWED PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL (E/C.9/L.13), WHICH IS BASIC DOCUMENT FOR MEETING. BY INCORPORATING SOME NEW DATA FOR 1976, TALWAR WAS ABLE TO UP-DATE THE FIGURES IN THE REPORT. SINCE 1976 WAS A YEAR OF RECOVERY, AVERAGE PERFORMANCE FOR 1971-1976 IS SOMEWHAT IMPROVED OVER THE 1971-1975 RESULTS USED IN THE REPORT, BUT THE OVERALL CHANGES IN AVERAGE FIGURES ARE MARGINAL. AGAINST THE 6 PERCENT IDS TARGET FOR CURRENT GDP GROWTH, THE 1971-1976 AVERAGE REACHED 7.7 PERCENT. HOWEVER, PERFORMANCE AMONG GROUPS OF LDCS VARIED WIDELY; PETROLEUM EXPORTERS 7.5 PERCENT, OTHERS 5.3 PERCENT; LDCS BELOW THE \$200 PER CAPITAL INCOME LEVEL, LESS THAN 4 PERCENT LLDCS 3.3 PERCENT. FOR AGRICULTURE THE GROWTH RATE FOR ALL LDCS WAS ABOUT 2.5 PERCENT, AND

FOR MANUFACTURING 7.3 PERCENT AGAINST IDS TARGETS FOR 4 PERCENT AND 8 PERCENT RESPECTIVELY. (BREAKDOWNS BY GROUPS OF LDCS ARE NOT YET AVAILABLE FOR THESE SECTORS.)

6. COMMENT. IN A PRIVATE DISCUSSION MR. TALWAR TOLD US REP (KAUFFMAN) THAT 1976 GDP GROWTH WAS 6.2 PERCENT FOR ALL LDCS, 10.5 PERCENT FOR PETROLEUM EXPORTERS AND 5.1 PERCENT FOR OTHERS. FOR ALL LDCS, IN 1976 AGRICULTURAL AND MANUFACTURING OUTPUT GREW AT 2.9 PERCENT AND 8.6 PERCENT RESPECTIVELY. EXPORT QUANTITY INCREASED 12.9 PERCENT FOR ALL LDCS, 11 PERCENT FOR PETROLEUM EXPORTERS AND 15.1 PERCENT FOR OTHERS. IMPORT QUANTITY ROSE 8.5 PERCENT FOR ALL LDCS IN 1976, 24.1 PERCENT FOR PETROLEUM EXPORTERS AND 0.8 PERCENT FOR OTHERS.

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7. US (KAUFFMAN), ONLY SPEAKER MAY 24, OPENED DEBATE ON RESULTS OF THE DEVELOPMENT DECADE. HE REPORTED ON SOME OF THE INITIATIVES TAKEN AT THE RECENT ECONOMIC SUMMIT IN LONDON, AND SPOKE, AMONG OTHER THINGS, OF THE DISTURBING SITUATION WITH RESPECT TO AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, NEED TO CURB HIGH BIRTH RATES, ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS SUCH AS IFAD, THE INCEPTION AND PROGRESSIVE IMPROVEMENT OF SCHEMES OF GENERALIZED PREFERENCES BY ALMOST ALL MAJOR DEVELOPED MARKETS

ECONOMY NATIONS, AND THE NEW IMPETUS IN MANY OTHER SPHERES BEING GIVEN TO EFFORTS THAT, WHEN REALIZED, WOULD EFFECT MAJOR CHANGES IN THE INTERNATIONAL ORDER. HE SAID THE TASKS AHEAD WERE SURELY GREATER THAN THOSE BEHIND; THE PRINCIPAL OBSTACLES TO ACCELERATED PROGRESS WERE NOT SET BY LIMITATIONS OF NATURE, BUT WERE POLITICAL, SOCIAL AND INSTITUTIONAL; AND ALL NATIONS HAD A ROLE TO PLAY IN MAKING THE NECESSARY CHANGES.

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8. GROUP 77. WE UNDERSTAND G-77 DRAFTING GROUP PREPARING PAPER BASED ON DOCUMENT SUBMITTED AT TDB SPECIAL SESSION IN GENEVA. PRESENT PAPER, WE ARE TOLD, WILL BE SOMEWHAT BROADER IN SCOPE, ALTHOUGH NOT NECESSARILY LONGER. PAPER LIKELY WILL NOT BE READY UNTIL NEXT WEEK. SOME INDIVIDUAL G-77 DELS EXPECTED TO SPEAK AS WELL.

9. COPIES OF THE HASHMI AND KAUFFMAN STATEMENTS POUCHED TO R. POOLE, STATE IO.

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